Extemp Prep for January 23, 2023

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*The following are the Extemp questions from Round 3 of Mile High Conquest held Jan 4-7.*

**Speaker 1**

What will be the long-term economic effects of the lockdowns?

Could California escape a recession in 2023?

Will a carbon tax be good for the EU?

**Speaker 2**

Is there another housing bubble about to burst in the US?

Will Colorado’s economy freeze over in 2023?

Are sanctions on Russia working?

**Speaker 3**

What were Biden’s biggest economic mistakes of 2022?

Does Texas’ increase in population aid its economy?

How will China’s easing of COVID travel restrictions affect the global economy?

**Speaker 4**

Has the US welfare state gotten out of control?

What is North Carolina doing right that they are seeing an improved economy?

Can the Netherlands economy survive with the closing of 3000 farms?

**Speaker 5**

What should happen to FTX Bankman-Fried?

What can Illinois do to improve its poor employment rates?

How will a major Tesla plant affect Mexico?

**Speaker 6**

What will be the effects on e-commerce if the IRS implements the $600 reporting threshold?

How will the drought in Nebraska increase the likeliness of recession for their state?

Can Lula bring a good economy to Brazil?

**Speaker 7**

Is the US in a recession or not?

How will the new Taiwan Semiconductor plant shapes Arizona’s economy?

Can Ramphosa overcome all of the economic ills and unemployment to revive South Africa?

**Speaker 8**

What is the outlook for US small business in 2023?

How much has crime affected Missouri’s businesses?

Can Japan raise wages when inflation has hit a 40-year high?